



SAVE OUR WATER CLOTHES WASHER REBATE PROGRAM

RESIDENTIAL REBATE PROGRAM-FACT SHEET

Funding for the Drought Rebate Programs was not included in the 2014–2015 legislative session. Launch of these programs is suspended until funds are available.

In response to Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr.'s April 1, 2015 Executive Order B-29-15 outlining efforts to conserve the state's water resources, the California Energy Commission is offering rebates statewide for the replacement of inefficient residential clothes washers with new water and energy saving models.

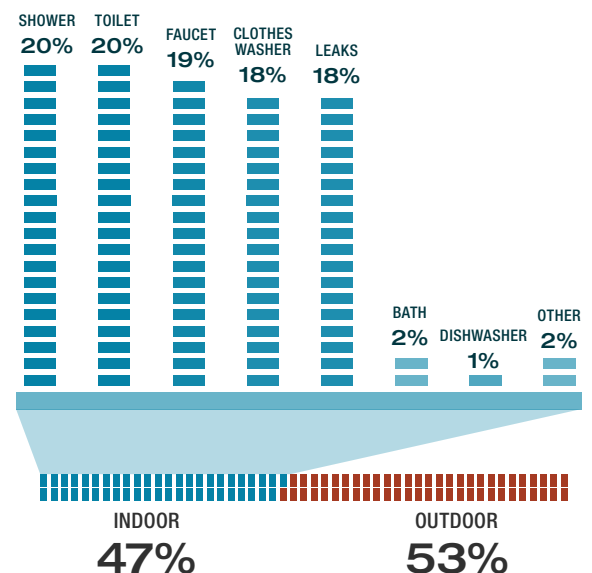
By purchasing a new ENERGY STAR clothes washer, consumers can help reduce water use, energy consumption, and greenhouse gas emissions, while saving money. ENERGY STAR clothes washers save approximately 10 gallons of water per load compared to standard clothes washers. The blue ENERGY STAR label is recognized by more than 85% of Americans making ENERGY STAR certified clothes washers easy to identify. ENERGY STAR models are offered at different price points, and the rebates offered through this program will incentivize consumers to purchase these water and energy efficient models.

Program objectives:

- Save water by encouraging Californians to replace older, inefficient clothes washers with water-efficient models.

- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions by replacing inefficient clothes washers with energy-efficient models.
- Partner with other available programs to combine rebates and leverage outreach opportunities, when other programs allow rebate layering.
- Keep rebate application steps simple for consumers.
- Keep program administration costs low while complying with funding source reporting requirements.

TOTAL HOUSEHOLD WATER USE



- Use ENERGY STAR compliance requirements as eligibility level for the rebate program so consumers can easily identify eligible clothes washers.

What clothes washers are eligible for the rebate?

Any clothes washer that is ENERGY STAR certified and is listed in the California Energy Commission's Appliance Efficiency Database will be eligible for a rebate. ENERGY STAR certified clothes washers use about 40% less water and 25% less energy than other models, saving you money all year long in water and energy costs. ENERGY STAR certified products are easily identified with the blue ENERGY STAR label.

How do consumers apply for a rebate?

Clothes washer rebates may be redeemed in one of two ways:

- **Available at Program Launch:** Consumer purchases an eligible clothes washer and submits a rebate application and proof of purchase online to the Save Our Water Rebate Program (www.SaveOurWaterRebates.com). Consumers without computer access may submit a mail-in rebate application. After rebate verification, a check will be mailed to the consumer.
- **Available Soon After:** Consumer purchases an eligible clothes washer at a participating retailer and receives an instant rebate, credited toward the purchase amount at the point of sale. No rebate application is required.

For more information on the clothes washer rebate program see the Appliance Rebate Program Guidelines at http://docketpublic.energy.ca.gov/PublicDocuments/15-WATER-03/Water_Rebate_Program_Guidelines_Final or the rebate website at SaveOurWaterRebates.com.

How is the rebate program funded?

The clothes washer rebate program is funded by the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF), created under Government Code section 16428.8, and administered by the California Air Resources Board. This program will launch after funding has been authorized by the State Legislature.

Save Our Water Toilet and Turf Replacement Rebate Programs – Available NOW

More drought response rebate programs are available through Energy Commission partner, the Department of Water Resources.

- **Residential Toilet Rebate Program:** Rebates for qualified water-efficient toilets are available through participating retailers statewide.
- **Residential Turf Replacement Program:** Rebates for qualified turf removal and replacement projects.

Find more information about toilet and turf replacement rebates at SaveOurWaterRebates.com.

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